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SUBJECT - VOLSPKR ALBERT JOHNSON FILMS - "BLACK FILMS"

REF- USMISSION BERLIN 1253-U (NOTAL); MOSCOW 9104-U (NOTAL)

(FOLLOWING MESSAGE SENT TO ATHENS, USMISSION BERLIN FOR ACTION,
BELGRADE FOR INFO)

1. AGENCY HAS ARRANGED RENTAL OF 6 FILMS (BLACK FILM PACKAGE)
FROM DISTRIBUTOR THROUGH JULY. NO EXTENSION POSSIBLE. FILMS
MUST RETURN U.S. BEFORE AUGUST 15. NO CHARGE TO POSTS.

2. FOR ZAGREB: A. SHIP "MEMBER OF THE WEDDING" TO ATHENS FOR
JULY 8 PROGRAM.

B. SHIP REMAINING FIVE FILMS MOSCOW FOR PROGRAM BEGINNING
APPROXIMATELY JULY 14.

3. FOR BUCHAREST: UNDERSTAND NEED ONLY "BROTHER JOHN" FOR JOHNSON
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PROGRAM. IF NEED ADDITIONAL FILMS FROM BLACK FILM PACKAGE,

SEND REQUEST DIRECT JOHNSON IN ATHENS OR MOSCOW. SEE DATES ABOVE. RETURN ALL FILMS TO AGENCY, ATTN: ICS/DA, IMMEDIATELY AFTER PROGRAM COMPLETION END JULY. ALL SIX FILMS MUST REACH CALIFORNIA DISTRIBUTOR BY AUGUST 15 SO SHOULD REACH AGENCY NO LATER AUGUST 11.

4. FOR MOSCOW: REQUEST FACILITATE SENDING FILMS NEEDED FOR JOHNSON BUCHAREST PROGRAM STARTING JULY 25. RECOMMEND JOHNSON HANDCARRY DUE TIME CONSIDERATION. FYI: THESE FILMS RENTED FROM DISTRIBUTOR FOR USIS USE ONLY -- NOT FOR SHOWING MOSCOW FILM FESTIVAL. AGENCY NOT AWARE OF JOHNSON PLANS FOR MOSCOW FILM FESTIVAL. RETURN FILMS NOT NEEDED BUCHAREST TO AGENCY, ICS/DA.

5. FOR PRAGUE: REGRET BLACK FILM PACKAGE NOT AVAILABLE AFTER AUGUST 1. SUGGEST CONTACT JOHNSON IN ATHENS, MOSCOW OR BUCHAREST RE PROGRAM REARRANGEMENTS.
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